#### Jesus, Our Good Shepherd

is constantly guiding us and asking us to grow in our faith. Through the BLA, your gifts serve Our Lord's flock and call others to join him and his Church. The appeal sustains programs and ministries that feed the hungry, minister to the sick and



elderly, form the next generation of priests, evangelize the Gospel with great joy, and cultivate the faith of youth.



### BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL Leadership Giving

As the Good Shepherd guides his flock with love and care, the Bishop's Lenten Appeal nurtures our community, providing vital resources for 40+ diocesan programs and ministries that touch countless lives throughout our communities. As we strive to bring the Hope of Christ to others, we invite you to prayerfully consider making a leadership level gift to the BLA in 2025.

· Circle of Faith · Circle of Hope

· Circle of Charity Crozier Guild

· Miter Guild

· Lumen Christi Guild

\$750 - \$1,499

\$1,500 - \$2,499 \$2,500 - \$4,999

\$5,000 - \$7,499 \$7,500 - \$9,999

\$10,000 and above

# Abounding IN Hope

#### How to Give to the 2025 BLA

Our faith is renewed and strengthened through the generous sharing of our blessings. By supporting the 2025 Bishop's Lenten Appeal, you bring the hope and love of Christ Jesus to thousands in need. Your contributions will provide spiritual, charitable, and educational assistance to communities across our diocese.

ONLINE - Make a one-time gift or set up a pledge with monthly payments at our secure website using the QR code below or at arlingtondiocese.org/bla

PLEDGE – You can make a pledge now and send payments throughout the year. You will receive monthly reminder statements with an option to pay by credit card or direct debit until your commitment is fulfilled.

CHECK - Make checks payable to "Bishop's Lenten Appeal" or "BLA" and mail to the address below.

**STOCK** – Visit our website or call the number below to obtain a Stock Donation Form. arlingtondiocese.org/stock

Qualified Charitable Distributions from your IRA may also be used as your BLA gift. arlingtondiocese.org/qcd

The Catholic Diocese of Arlington is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization (EIN: 54-0967542). Determination of how gifts are accounted for with the donor's income taxes is the responsibility of the donor and/or their tax preparer.

#### Scan QR code to give:

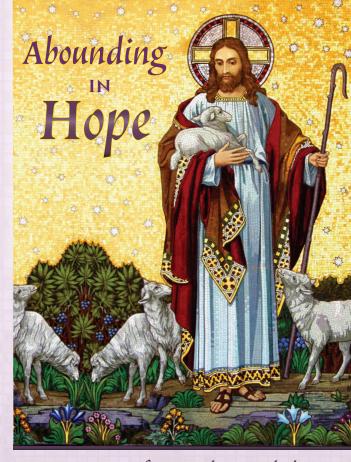


For more information, please call the BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL office at 703-778-8600 or visit our website at

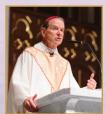
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CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

200 North Glebe Road, Suite 811, Arlington, VA 22203



# A Message from Bishop Burbidge



The 2025 Bishop's Lenten Appeal theme is "Abounding in Hope," which reminds us of this great theological virtue that is rooted in Jesus Christ and the victory he won for us.

The Bishop's Lenten Appeal sustains over 40 programs and ministries that

continue to share the hope we have received in Christ with thousands of people. I invite you to allow God's generous love to be made visible through you by prayerfully considering a sacrificial pledge to the Bishop's Lenten Appeal this year.



2025 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

# Abounding In Hope 18% 11% 13% 10%

#### Your generous gift to the BLA SUPPORTS THE PROGRAMS AND MINISTRIES OUTLINED BELOW

100% of your gift is restricted to be used within the diocese for the sole benefit of these programs and ministries

9% 12%

11%

2025 Bishop's Lenten Appeal Prayer

Loving and merciful God, you have placed in the heart of every person the longing for true happiness.

As we abound in hope, may our sacrificial giving to the Bishop's Lenten Appeal uplift all who feel discouraged or abandoned and come to know that the fulfillment of their hope is found only in you, who live and reign for ever and ever.

#### 18% Vocations

Seminarian education and support, Vocation Awareness Programs, and the Permanent Diaconate

#### 13% Assistance to Parishes and Missions

Programs, offices and ministries that assist our 70 parishes and 6 missions, including 4,600+ parish, school and diocesan personnel

#### 12% Youth and Young Adult Outreach

Office of Youth, Campus and Young Adult Ministries and Campus Ministries at various colleges and universities

#### 11% Religious Education

Catholic Schools, Religious Education Programs, and the Office of Divine Worship

#### 11% Support for Families

Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life and the Diocesan Tribunal

#### 10% Charitable Works

Catholic Charities, parish subsidies, and other charitable works that assist the vulnerable and needy

#### 9% Chancery Offices

Support to the Virginia Catholic Conference and various Chancery offices which assist the Bishop

#### 3% San Damiano Spirituality Center

A peaceful venue with opportunities for a wide variety of retreats for laity, religious, and clergy seeking reflection and spiritual renewal in the Shenandoah Valley

#### **Parish/Diocesan Properties and** Land Development

The diocese purchases land for new parishes

#### 2% Communications and Development

The Communications Office utilizes a variety of mediums to promote, educate and evangelize the faithful and wider community. Development, including the BLA and other charitable vehicles, provide strategic financial support to the diocese, parishes, and schools

This chart reflects a projected \$22 million in 2025 BLA funding, which is allocated to these critical programs and ministries.



# so they experience the depths of your eternal love Amen.



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